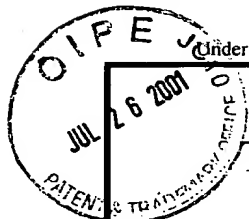


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted prior to the examination on the merits.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Kindly amend claim 14 as follows:

14. (Amended) A system for measuring performance of an internetwork, the system comprising:

a frequently trafficked web portal in the internetwork;

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a web page at least partially stored on the frequently trafficked web portal, the
at least partially stored web portal including a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for a web
object, such that the web object is not stored on the frequently trafficked web portal;

a Domain Name System (DNS) server on the internetwork; the DNS server
including a reference which maps the URL for the web object to an Internet Protocol
address for an internetwork server on the internetwork;

a web browser coupled to the internetwork, wherein the web browser sends a
download request for the web object to the internetwork server; and